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SUBJECT: FRG STATEMENT ON GREEK MEMBERSHIP IN EC

1. FRG SPOKESMAN KLAUS BOELLING ANNOUNCED ON 4 SEP-
TEMBER IN ATHENS THAT HE HAD CONVEYED THE FOLLOWING
ASSURANCE TO PRIME MINISTER KARAMANLIS, ALONG WITH
GREETINGS FROM FRG CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT: FRG CHANCELLOR
SCHMIDT AND FRG FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER ARE DETER-
MINED TO OBTAIN GREEK MEMBERSHIP IN THE EC IN THE FIRST
HALF OF 1979. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR REPEATED STATE-
MENTS ON THIS MATTER, THEY INTEND TO PUSH FOR GREEK
MEMBERSHIP AND TO DO EVERYTHING THEY CAN WHILE THE FRG
HOLDS THE PRESIDENCY IN THE EC COUNCIL.

2. BOELLING MET WITH GREEK GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN
ATHANASSIOS TSALDARIS ON BOELLING'S RETURN FROM A
GREEK ISLAND VACATION. FRG OFFICIALS IN BONN HAVE
CONFIRMED THE FRG'S INTENTIONS IN THIS REGARD.

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